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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

Statement of Legal Newspaper Ownership and Circulation

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S.D. SEC. of STATE

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| 1. TITLE OF NEWSPAPER <i>The Daily Republic</i> | | 2. DATE <i>Sept 16 2005</i> |
| 3. FREQUENCY OF ISSUE <i>Daily except Sunday</i> | 3A. NO. OF ISSUES PUBLISHED ANNUALLY <i>307</i> | 3B. ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION PRICE \$ <i>126.00</i> |
| 4. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF KNOWN OFFICE OF PUBLICATION (Street, City, County, State and ZIP+4 Code) (Not printers) <i>P.O. Box 1288 Mitchell S.D. 57301</i> | | |
| 5. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF THE HEADQUARTERS OR GENERAL BUSINESS OFFICES OF THE PUBLISHER (Not printers) <i>P.O. Box 1288 Mitchell, S.D. 57301</i> | | |
| 6. FULL NAME OF PUBLISHER: <i>Noel L. Hamrick</i> | | |
| 7. OWNER (If owned by a corporation, its name and address must be stated and list on the back of this form the names and addresses of stockholders owning or holding 1 percent or more of total amount of stock. If not owned by a corporation, the names and addresses of the individual owners must be given. If owned by a partnership or other unincorporated firm, its name and address, as well as that of each individual must be given. <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;">FULL NAME <i>Forum Communications, Inc</i></div> <div style="width: 50%;">COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS <i>P.O. Box 2020 Fargo, N.D. 58102-4826</i></div> </div> | | |
| 8. KNOWN BONDHOLDERS, MORTGAGES, AND OTHER SECURITY HOLDERS OWNING OR HOLDING 1 PERCENT OR MORE OF TOTAL AMOUNT OF BONDS, MORTGAGES OR OTHER SECURITIES (If there are none, so state. If more space is needed, list on back of this form. | | |
| 9. EXTENT AND NATURE OF CIRCULATION | AVERAGE NO. COPIES EACH ISSUED PRECEDING 12 MONTHS | ACTUAL NO. COPIES ISSUED NEAREST TO FILING DATE |
| A. TOTAL NO. COPIES (Net Press Run) | <i>12,702</i> | <i>12,961</i> |
| B. PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION | | |
| 1. Sales through dealers and carriers, street vendors and counter sales. | <i>8,182</i> | <i>8,548</i> |
| 2. Mail Subscription (Paid and or requested) | <i>4,175</i> | <i>4,117</i> |
| C. TOTAL PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION (Sum of 9B1 and 9B2) | <i>12,357</i> | <i>12,665</i> |
| D. FREE DISTRIBUTION | | |
| 1. BY MAIL, CARRIER OR OTHER MEANS | | |
| 2. SAMPLES, COMPLIMENTARY AND OTHER FREE COPIES | <i>63</i> | <i>27</i> |
| E. TOTAL DISTRIBUTION (Sum of C, D1 and D2) | <i>12,420</i> | <i>12,692</i> |
| F. COPIES NOT DISTRIBUTED | | |
| 1. Office use, left over, unaccounted, spoiled after printing | <i>35</i> | <i>70</i> |
| 2. Return from News Agents | <i>247</i> | <i>199</i> |
| G. TOTAL (Sum of E, F1 and F2 - Should equal net press run shown in A) | <i>12,702</i> | <i>12,961</i> |

Statement must be signed by Publisher, Business Manager, or Owner in the presence of a Notary Public
 I swear that the statements made by me are true, correct, and complete:

Noel Hamrick
 (Signature)

Publisher
 (Title)

State of South Dakota)
)
 County of *Hanson*)

(Seal)

Sworn to before me this *27* day of *Sept*, 2005
Kathy Hoffman
 Notary Public

My commission expires: *10.8.2007*